

taxed more than white persons subject to a capitation tax; *And provided further*, That nothing herein contained shall prevent exemptions of taxable polls as heretofore provided by law in cases of bodily infirmity." And further, amend enacting clause by inserting after the word "that," these words, to wit: "clause 2, section —, article 4 of amended constitution, &c."

The amendment was rejected—yeas 7, nays 33.

Mr. Walkup demanded the yeas and nays.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are:

Messrs. Davis, Gorrell, McDonald, Miller, Ramsay, Walkup and Worth—7.

Those who voted in the negative, are:

Messrs. Ashe, Basnight, Battle, Bledsoe, Boyd, Blount, Brown, Cherry, Cowper, Cunningham, Dobson, Donnell, Douthitt, Edney, Flanner, Guyther, Humphrey, Lane, Lankford, Leach, Martin, McDowell, Mills, Person, Pitchford, Pool, Reinhardt, Speight, Steele, Taylor, Turner, Whitaker and Williams—33.

The question now recurred on the passage of the bill its first reading, and resulted as follows—yeas 10, nays 31.

Mr. Bledsoe demanded the yeas and nays.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are:

Messrs. Bledsoe, Douthitt, Edney, Gorrell, McDonald, Miller, Straughan, Turner, Walkup and Worth—10.

Those who voted in the negative, are:

Messrs. Basnight, Battle, Blount, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Cowper, Cunningham, Davis, Dobson, Donnell, Flanner, Guyther, Humphrey, Lane, Lankford, Leach, Martin, McDowell, Mills, Person, Pitchford, Pool, Ramsay, Reinhardt, Speight, Steele, Taylor, Thomas, Whitaker and Williams—31.

The constitutional majority of three-fifths of the whole Senate not voting in the affirmative, the Speaker announced that the bill was rejected.

On motion by Mr. Cunningham, the Senate now took up the bill to authorise the Roanoke Navigation Company to discontinue the use of their canal around the grand falls of the Roanoake river, and to make sale of their real estate,